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Sir:

The patents or publications listed on the enclosed PTO Form-1449 are submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97. Copies of the patents or publications cited are enclosed.

Reference AI is an assembly drawing for a Swift™ load cell made by MTS Systems Corporation of Eden Prairie, Minnesota, which has been sold more than one year before the filing date of the priority application of the present application. The load cell transducer is of a type shown and described in U.S. Patent 5,969,268, which is already of record. The load cell shown in the attached drawing further includes cover plates 10 and 12 where sensing tubes of the transducer body are not shown but disposed between the cover plates 10 and 12. Each of the cover plates 10 and 12 are fixedly mounted to an outer ring 14 of the load cell with an inner peripheral edge positioned proximate an inner hub 16 of the load cell. A flexible sealant seals the inner edges of the cover plates 10 and 12 to the inner hub 16.

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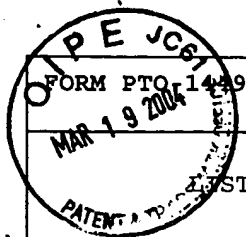
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

AI	Assembly drawing of Swift™ load cell sold by MTS Systems Corporation prior to November 22, 1999.
AJ	JSAE Review, Official Journal of the Society of Automotive Engineers of Japan, Inc., Volume 16, 1995, pp. 83-89
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